

I am writing regarding the proposed lifting of the current ban on newspaper-broadcast media cross-ownership.

If the FCC is to act in the interest of myself and other consumers of print and broadcast news, it must at the very least maintain the current ban. The news available via the vast majority of larger print and broadcast outlets is increasingly homogenized and one-sided. I would much prefer that a greater variety of perspectives be presented. Lifting the ban on cross-ownership will surely result in the opposite, with citizens left with little choice and little hope for complete coverage of daily events that are extremely important to their lives as citizens, voters, consumers, employers, employees, parents, etc.

Rather than lift the ban, the FCC should more thoroughly enforce it as it stands before the limited diversity that currently exists completely disappears.

I don't want a few people in New York and Washington, D.C. deciding what I should find important. I want people like me and many people different from me in many ways tracking events and reporting on them so I can decide for myself.